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Assignee: Rapt, Inc.
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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated May 14, 2003, having a shortened statutory period expiring on August 14, 2003. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings are presented in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page) (in duplicate);
- (3) Response To Non-Final Office Action (14 pages);
- (4) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages); and
- (5) Form PTO 1449 citing 17 references

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
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	Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u>		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	21	Minus	21	=	0	x \$ 9.00	\$ \$0
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	=	0	x \$ 42.00	\$ \$0
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